

25 August 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR: FBIS Headquarters Employees

FROM:

Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

SUBJECT: Retirement of FBIS Director

1. I will be retiring on 12 September after 27 years Government service. I leave with great respect for FBIS and for the capability and dedication of all of you. It is because of you that FBIS enjoys such a sparkling reputation within the Intelligence Community and throughout the Government.

2. As many of you know, Modernization has been one area of particular interest for me. Progress in the technical definition has been continuous with first delivery of Automation next spring a near certainty. Equally important is our collective attitude toward Modernization which has changed significantly in the past two years. I am convinced that there is broad support for the planned technical improvements and a growing realization that major change is imminent. The prospects for the future are excellent.

3. I want to thank you for your support and wish you and your families the best for the future. My successor will be announced by Mr. Hineman in the near future.